of Major-General Brooke, as governor-general of Cuba.

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SCARFS, CRAVATS, TIES - big new

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Overcoats for Boys, \$8.50 up

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MEN & BOYS' OUTFITTERS

Hotel Lobbies Alive With

Friends and Foes of the

Jordan Bill.

The hosts are gathering here for the

great fight in the General Assembly over

the oyster question, which was begun

in the House of Delegates yesterday.

when the Jordan bill, to break the Bay lor survey was taken up. Many men from Tidewater Virginia, vitally interested in

the subject, one way or the other, are here to aid in securing the triumph of

There are oyster tongers and private

by admit that they will both the attempted, will cut off debate by calling the pending question.

Though the bill pass the House, which is conceded, it is not so certain that it is going to get through the Senate. In fact the hopes of the opponents of the mearure rest chiefly in adverse action or its cautivalent, non-action by that body. In the Senate several of the strongest debaters and most influential men on the factor are opposed to the Jordan bill and many others are opposed to it to the extent that they will not delay or subordiate to the ovster fight the other import

Racing at New Orleans.

GATHERING FAST

THE OYSTERMAN

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December

Youths and Men,

here are practi-

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of Major-General Brooke, as governorbeneral of Cuba.

One of the most important statements
made by Mr. Rubens was that General
Wood visited him after the publication
of the Runcis article, and that their conversation showed that General Wood and
previous knowledge of It. Mr. Rutens
said that General Wood admitted that
his had told Runcie that the article puthim (Wood) in an awkward position.
The wimess detailed the relationship
between General Wood and newspaper
men. saying it was understood that he
attempted to use the newspaper men to
exploit his own deeds.

At the conclusion of Mr. Rubens' testimony a member of the committee asked
his opinion of General Wood's verselty.
He asked that the question be made more
explicit, and was then asked if he would
be willing to accept the word of General
Wood in any matter in which the General
had a personal interest. Mr. Rucens
answered he was sorry to say he could
not accept thereal Wood's statement
under such circumstances.

Before Mr. Rubens was called, a statement was made by Major Rathoone to
the enect that the rule that witness's
should not bring before the committee
any matters that involved hearaay evidence had the effect of hampering him
in bringing out the force of his chirges.
Schator Proctor announced that the rule
was improperly understood, and that as
chairman, he wanted to assure the witnosses that they should not be unduly
hirdered by judicial red tape.

The committee adjourned until Thursday.

days-but only 26 shopping 26 shopping days; and only 21 before Christmas.

MILITIA IS IN DANGER to make up the wardrobe of any sprightly disciple of Santa Claus.

Iwo Companies Must Have More Men or They Will be Mustered Out.

IS DIRECTLY DUE TO STRIKE

The five Richmond companies of the Seventieth Regiment, Virginia Volunteers, are passing through a critical pe riod of their history.

Company B, the Walker Light Guard

lacks five or six men to reach the minimum limit of fifty-one, which it must have. Company C. Guard of the Commonwoalth, is in the same boat, only lacking saven men. Not only is it necessary for the companies to have fifty-one men to get the State and national appropriations. but their very existence itself depends

While these two companies are struggling with this problem, it devolves upon the first battailon of the Seventieth Regiment to elect a major to succeed Major Charles O. Saville, who has made a popular and efficient officer, and whose resignation, due to the pressure of business, has been accepted by the Governor. In the first battailon are four companies—A. B. Frand H. while these two companies are strug

has been accepted by the Governor has been accepted by the Governor he first buttalion are four companies—A. B. F. and H.

STRIKE THE CAUSE OF IT.

The unhappy condition in which Companies B and C find the assives is directly traceable to the strike of the street railway employee.

The reorganization of the militia here took place in July, 1969. The enlistment was for three years, as usual. The perfud when the militia had been on duty twenty-nine days, much to the displeasure of a number of employers of members of the Richmond companies. When the time for conlistment came the opposition of employers in some instances was so strong that men who would have continued in their companies were forced to leave them to save their business positions. As many as twelve men were lost to C and seven or eight to B. It was apparent to the military leaders that if the service was to be saved to the State something must be done at once. A powerful public sentiment was to be created in its behalf.

COMMITTEES AT WORK.

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For this purpose several meetings were held and committees, entrusted with important work to be attended to at once were appointed. One of these bodies went to see employers who were known to look with disfavor upon service in the military. The importance, nay, the absolute necessity, of militia to the proper execution of the liws of the State was explained to them, impressed upon them, and driven home until they were forced to see it as they never dreamed they could see it. A number are known to have been won over. A number of others who hitherto have been indifferent to the military have since thrown out suggestions to employes, pleasantly, of course, that it would be a good thing for them to connect themselves with one of the companies. The result has been seen in the roll call of the companies. But a gained several men and C has five new and very promising additions.

But others, as many others as needed to make at least fifty-one, must be seaured before January 30th or both com-

to the Jordan bill will be sufficient to stave off action on the bill until next session is uncertain, but it is regarded as not improbable. It is going to be very close to Christmas when the Senate concludes consideration of the really important legislation regarded as important legislation regarded as important legislation regarded as importantly and with this concluded there are many who favor adjourning at the éarliest practicable date. Many are unalterably opposed to remaining here wranging over any question, which they say may be deferred until the next month. Many members will retire January 12th and these generally do not care to take action on a measure over which there is great difference of opinion as to the wisdom of enecting.

The friends and foes of the bill were active in the hotel lobbies last night, especially at Murphy's and The Powhaten. Among those here opposed to the bill are Hon. Clargett B. Jones, of King and Queen; Judge Thomas Blakey, of Teppahannock; Dr. Kellam, of Accomac; W. McDonald Lee, of Lancaster, and many others. There are also many oyster planters and packers here urging the passage of the bill, among them being Mr. Armstrong and many others from the Norfolk vicinity. Others are on the way.

Racing at New Orleans. to make at least fifty-one, must be se-oured before January 20th or both com-panies will be mustered out. Notice was given to this effect November 20th, with a grace of sixty days. There is probably little actual danger that either company will be lost to the regiment; the chief trouble will be in getting the most de-sirable men. strable men.
POSSIBLE MAJORS.

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The selection of a successor to Major
Saville will be difficult. Captain Λ. W.
Miller, of Company B. is the ranking officer next to Major Saville. He declined
to allow his name to be used before. Captain Baptist is next to him. Captain, Captain,
CGPay Bossieux, adjutant of the regiment,
and one of the most faithful and useful. Gray Bossieux, adjutant of the regiment, and one of the most faithful and useful officers in the service, is frequently aponken of. The chilef opposition to him is said to be that he cannot be spared from his present position. He, Captain Miller, Captain Shackleford and Captain Baptist are most prominently mentioned. The election takes place on Tuesday evening, December 15th.

Washington Races.

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(By associated Press.)

WASHINOTON. Nov. 30.—Mabel Richardson won the chief event, a handleng for two year olds and upwards, at Benning's to-day, and Gould tools the hurdle race coppella and Nine Spot being the only favorites. Summaries:

First race—nurdle race, mile and three tourths—Gould (4 to 1) first. Goldshy teven second, Caxton (6 to 1) third. Time 12.5.

Betond race—Matter.

even) second. Caxton (5 to 1) third Time 1:26 3-5.

Letond race-Maiden two year olds, six suriors —1.oricate (4 to 1) first, Prince Salm Salm (11 to 5) second. Cequeta (20 to 1) third. Time 1:16 3-5.

Third race-maiden two year olds six suriors—coppelis (2 to 5) first Maigre Nute (20 to 1) second. Belle Claire (40 to 1) Inird. Time 1:16.

1 ourth ace-three year olds and up. mile-Nine Scot (8 to 5) first. Oclawah (15 to 1) second. Stonewall (10 to 1) third. Time 1:12.

Fifth race-three year olds and up. seven furlongs—Paul Clifford (11 to 1) first Demurrer (3 to 1) second. Enue (5 to 5) third. Time 1:20.

Lexth race-landicap, two year olds and up. mile and a sixteenth—Maile Richard and proposed of the condition of the condition

Racing at New Orleans.

(By associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 30.—Favorites and outsiders divided honors at the fair frounds to-day. The successful choices were New York, Giegor K. and Ethics. Summaries:

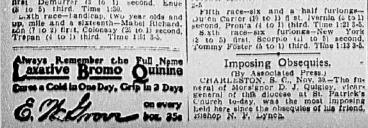
First race—four and a half furions—Misanthrope (12 to 1) first. Symptony (10 to 1) second. Ethel Scruggs (12 to 1) strid. Time 155.

Second race—mile and a sixteenth—Ethics (even) first, The Resen (6 to 1) second. Aladdin (8 to 1) third. Time 149.

First Ben Chance (6 to 1) second. Tloga (10 to 1) third. Time 149.

Fourth race—six furiongs—Lady Free anight (10 to 1) first, Frank Bell (7 to 5) second. Malster (5 to 1) third. Time 114.

Fifth race—six and a half furiones—





Against the Requirements of the Constitution.

BE CHANGED THIS MONTH MR. WILLIAMS IS CRITICISED

Mr. Vaden Goes to Sanford. Services in the Churches. Elks' Meeting.

Manchester Bureau Times-Dispatch, No. 1102 Hull Street, When the Board of Aldermon mosts next week a resolution coming from the Common Council will be presented and passed, changing the time of meeting of

both boards of the City Council. Heretofore the meetings have been held on the first Tuesday and Friday in the month. At the last meeting of the lower branch a resolution was passed at the suggestion of the city attorney, changing the time, as it was his opinion that three full days did not intervene, as re-

quired by the charter. The days of meeting will, therefore, be changed from the present days to Friday for the lower branch, and the following Tuesday for the Board.

At the December meetings the reap-portionment of the city will also have to be made, under the Constitution. This reapportionment will go into ef-fect the first of the year, and it will increase the membership of the lower branch.

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At present there are twelve members of that body. The Constitution requires that there shall be at least fourteen members. As there are four wards in the city, it is quite likely that the lower branch will, after January 1st, embrace sixteen members, four from each ward.

GOES TO SANFORD.

Mr. R. A. Vaden, long time connected with the freight department of the Southern Railway, has accepted the position of general agent of the Seaboard Air Line at Sanford. N. C.

Mr. Vaden is very popular here and in Richmond, and his bost of friends with him all kinds of prosperity in his new home. He left on the 10:30 train last night and will take up his duties this morning.

RETURNS HOME.

morning.

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Mrs. C. S. Ranns, of Lynchburg. who has been visiting her step-mother. Mrs. R. G. Latham, will return to her home to-day after a most pleasant trip, of a

CHURCH SERVICES. CHURCH SERVICES.

Rev. John Hannon preached an instructive sermon at West End Church on Sunday. The occasion was a special service for the benefit of the J. O. U. A. M. and was under the ausprices of Literty Council.

their view.

There are oyster tongers and private planters, large planters and packers and attorneys enlisted in behalf of the opponents of the Jordan bill.

What the ultimate fate of this bill, which is so strenuously opposed by the oystermen, is going to be can only be conjectured. It is now practically conceded that the bill will pass the House in that body it is only a question as to how much time the discussion, consideration of and action of the bill is going to take. Naturally the opponents of the measure, whose only hope of beating the bill is to retard its passage will do all that a minority can do legitimately under the rules to antagonize and delay under the rules to antagonize and delay under the rules to antagonize and delay the bill. On the other hand, the advocates of the measure conscious of their strength in the House, are willing to give reasonable time for discussion, but openly admit that they will tolerate no fill-buster or dillatory tactics, and if other be attempted, will cut off debate by calling the pending augustion.

for the benefit of the J. O. U. A. M. and was under the ausprices of Liberty Council.

A special service was held at Bainbridge Street Church for the Daughters of Liberty, and was well attended. Rev. C. O. Woodward preached the sermon.

Rev. J. T. Routten preached his first sermons to the congregation of, West End Church on Sunday,

MANCHESTER ELKS.

The regular meeting of Manchester Lodge was held last night. Much business of importance to the members was transacted. At the request of the lodge the resignation of Exalted Ruler Lipscomb has heen withdrawn, and he will continue in office until the end of his term, which is the second.

The lodge will join Richmond lodge in a body at the memorial services at the Academy of Muisc next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

A meeting of this body was held last night at the residence of Mr. C. H. Kahl, in Swansboro, and resolutions condemning the sale of liquor were adopted. The officers of the league are: President. Dr. J. G. Loving; Vice-President. T. P. Pettigrew, Joseph Holt, A. A. Adkins; Secretary, Curry Gregory.

WILLING WORKERS.

The Willing Workers' Society of Clopton Street Baptist Church will give an entertainment at Cersley's Hall on Thursday night. A pleasing programme has been arranged, including selections by Mrs. Jennie Yeamans, the West End Angels and othors.

Miss Marion Lucas has returned to New York after a pleasant visit to her aunt, Mrs. A. G. Lucas, No. 114 West Nintlered.

Street.
The funeral of Miss Alma Godsey took
place from the home on Spring Hill Sun-

place from the nome of spring Int Suday afternoon.

City Auditor Hall is busy giving receipts for taxes, this being the last chance for tax-payers to avoid the penalty for not paying their taxes for this year.

DAN PATCH MAKES NEW WORLD RECORDS

(By Associated Press.)

MACON, GA., Nov. 30.—To-day in face of a cold and driving rain and the weather at the temperature of forty-seven dagress, Dan Patch, the world's greatest pacer, broke two world's records. To a high wheel sulky he lowered Direct's record of 2:08 to 2:04 3-4. The time by quarters was 31, 30 3-4, 811-4 and 31 8-4. Twenty-five minutes later to the usual track sulky he went two miles in 4:17, lowering Nervolu's record of 4:19 by two seconds. He was driven by McHenry, and the claim is made that under the weather conditions the races were perhaps the fastest ever known. The excellence of the track was fully demonstrated.

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Men's and Women's

Clothing.

It will pay you to call. LINDSEY W. ALLEN,

Meetings Have Been Held Senator Daniel Introduces Bill for Repayment of Loan to State of Virginia.

His Selections for Minority Representation on Committees Not Entirely Satisfactory.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, Colorado Building, Fourteenth and G Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., Nov. 80. Although the Congress is theoretically place to be found in Washington than These sessions every third day, lesting but a few minutes, do not have the effect of imparting any life to things, so far as national business is concorned. A comparatively small numsions, and it is doubtful if there is any

improvement noticed at the session this

week, although it is understood that the House committees will be announced to-morrow or at the session Friday. The Republicans of the House claim that they will get down to work this week; but there is little likelihood session begins next Monday. It is well assured that the Senato will not transact any business until the regular session.

The Republicans are somewhat at sea as to the manner in which the extra session is to be brought to an end. It will but there are some members who think allowed to run into the regular session will be allowed to run into the regular session. Only the hands of the clock, pointing to the hour of noon, will tell the House and the Senate that the one has ended and the other hadrin. and the other begun.
GET MONEY BACK.

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Senator Daniel has introduced a tproviding for the payment of money avanced to the national government
Virginia for the purpose of aiding in erection of the national capitol. To
Virginia Legislature in 1750 passod
act authorizing the loan by the St
of \$120,600. The act was drawn by Ch
Virgina Marshell. The sum advanced to Justice Marshall. The sum advanced has never been paid, although there is no doubt of the justice of the claim. Some of the most distinguished men of the

North have advocated the repayment of the money.

Senator Daniel has for years taken a drap interest in the matter, but he has not considered that the time for the introduction of a Aill for its payment in the State bad a setted. There was a delt owing by Virgina in the United States, and the State had a counter claim. Senator Daniel succeeded in securing the passage of a bill last year, which provided that the sellament between five State and the national sovernment should be made as of the time when the twicking came nearest together. After considerable calculation and delay this time was found and the claims were settled by the payment of five dollars to the State of Virginia.

Now that this old claim is out of the way the Senator thinks there is some probability of his being able to secure the money which Virginia loaved for the building of the national capitol. It may also some time, however. The bill pravides that, in addition to the principal fee everymment also may interest on the ston,000 from the first day of January, 1870, the date when the payment of the amount of the loan was first demanded.

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Senator Dani: I went to Lynchburg Friday night for the purpose of appearing in several important law cases. He will be back in a favour two.

BEING CRITTCISED.

It is understood that Mr. Floed, of the Tenth Virginia District, will be a member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Through some error it was stated in this correspondence that he would have a place on the Committee on Military Affairs. It is well understood that Mr. Swanson will not be on the Postoffice Committee again this year. He has as much as he can attend to on other committees, he says. The campaign which he will make for the nomination to the governorship of Virginia will take much much as he can attend to on other committees, he says. The campaisn which he will make for the nomination to the gevernorship of Virginia will take much of his time.

The Democrats of the House, just as the head of the time.

The Democrats of the House, just as has been predicted in this correspondence, are criticising Mr., villiams, the Democratic floor lender, for the selections he has made for the various committees. He accepted the offer made him by Speaker Cannon to allow him to name the men for the minority places on the committees, and he has made selections that are not all satisfactory to perhaps a majority on the Democratic side. It is charged that Mr. Williams, a Mississippian, has taken specially good care of the representatives from the far South, and has neglected those from the more northerly of the Southern States. It is also charged that he has allowed his personal prejudices to sway him too greatly in making his selections. There can be no doubt that he made a great mistake in taking the balt thrown out by willy Uncle Joe. When Balley was the leader of the Democratic minority in the House, and Tom Reed was in the chair, Mr. Reed refused to allow Mr. Balley to make the selections for the minority places on the committees, but said he would consider such as he might make. And the Toxan did not make any.

Representative Siemp has introduced a bill providing for the appropriation of \$100,000 for the erection of a public build-

a bill providing for the appropriation of \$100,000 for the erection of a public building at Big Stone Gap. The building is to be for the use of the postoffice and other government buildings.

REAL ESTATE SALES

YESTERDAY AND TO-DAY
The vacant lot on Randolph Street,
near Dance, was sold yesterday afternoon
by Pollard & Bagby real estate agents,
for \$12.50 a foot.
This afternoon a number of sules of
interest are scheduled to take place.
Messrs. Pollard & Bagby will offer N.
12 4 East Broad Street. This is a detached
frame store and dwelling. The projectly
will be put up at 4:30. By mistake this
projectly was announced for yesterday
afternoon.

afternoon.

The afternoon at 4 o'clock, Messrs, J. Thompson Brown & Co. will offer the large, substantially built brick residence at the northwest corner of Leigh and Fifth Streets, and the adjoining bay window, two story residence, fronting on Fifth.

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Fifth.

Comparatively little property will be offered this week at public auction, judging from the announcements so far. All of the agents however, have excellent property held for private sales.

COUNCIL IN MAYGET HER ARE YOUR KIDNEYS WEAK? HE PLANNED

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If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking the
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melp all the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone

I was a constant sufferer for a number of years with weakness of the kidneys and back and frequent desire to urinate, but after using Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, i am entirely cured and cheerfully recommend this wonderful remedy to any who may suffer from these common complaints.

Most truly yours,
W. C. Bally, 2d Lieut. of Police,
Columbus, Ge

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Columbus, Ga.
Work and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for Work and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for many kinds of diseases, and if permitted to continue much suffering with fatal results one sure to follow. Kidney trouble irritates the nerves, makes you diszy, restless, sicepless and irritable. Makes you pass water often during the day and obliges you to get up many times during the night. Unhealthy kidneys cause rheumatism, gravel, catarrh of the bladder, pain or dull ache in the back, joints and musclest makes your head ache and back ache, causes indigestion, stomach and liver trouble, you get a sallow, yellow complexion, makes you feel as though you had heart trouble; you may have plenty of ambillon, but no strength; get weak and waste away.

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If there is any doubt in your mind as to your condition, take from your urine on rising about four ounces, place it in a glass or bottle and let it stand twenty-four hours. If on examination it is milky or cloudy, if there is a brick-dust settling, or if small particles float about in it, your kidneys are in need of immediate attention.

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CAUCUS IS

Republican Leaders Here in Conference With the Minority Party.

GREAT SECRECY OBSERVED

Many Seen, But All Declare the Gathering Was a Strictly Informal and Social One.

A Republican caucus, concerning which the utmost secrecy was maintained, both before and after the adjournment, was held, last night in Room No. 5, at the Capitol. At this caucus there were present, besides the Republicon members of the House and Senate, State Chairman Park Agnew, of Alexandria, collector Internal Revenue for the Western District of Virginia; General Stith Bolling, of Petersburg; Captain Asa Rogers, of Petersburg, secretary of the State Repub lican Committee and collector of Internal Revenue for the Eastern District; Marshal S. Brown Allen, of Staunton; District Attorney L. L. Lewis, of this city; Marshal Morgan Treat, of West

Point.
Delegate C. A. Heermans, of Montgemery, presided over the caucus and
there were present nearly all the Republican members of the Legislature, except Senator Revercomb, of Alighany, who is out of the city; Delegate Goodwin, of Neison, and one or two others. The conference or caucus continued for about two hours.

OF A SOCIAL NATURE.

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Mr. Heermans, chairman of the caucus, generally very affable, was so last night, but was guardedly uncommunicative. He stated that the gatherling was merely an informal one, more in the nature of a personal conference of a social nature. Nothing of public interest was done, insisted, and he politely declined to permit the reporter to be the judge whether the action of the caucus was of general interest or not. Every guess as to the measible meaning of the gathering was hazarded, but in vain. The chairman of the caucus would not leak. Captain Rosers was equally close-mouthed, and Colonel Allen was ready to discuss anything elect.

ers was equally close-moutined, and Colonel Allen was ready to discuss anything else.

Several of the gentlemen insisted tha the meeting of the various prominent men of the party here was accidental, but while the presence of one or more of the party here may have been unpremeditated, a call had certainly been sent out for a gathering of the party advisory council. It was suggested that the object of the meeting was to prepare to make an active canvass of the State for Roosevelt for the Virginia delection, but nobedy deales that the President will get that eithout a struegle. All predict his renomination and that the Virginia delection will be solid for him. The suggestion will be solid for him. The suggestion that the conference here at this time was to consider the auestion of meking nominations for Congress in all the districts next vers or for the purpose of agreeing on delectins at large and in the various digities to the next National Couvention, but this, too, was declared to be the wrong spaces, Nothing was done, was the only answer this gathering of sphinxes would vonchessfe.

THE OYSTER FIGHT.

The suggestion of electors-at-large and for the various congressional districts next year would be premature. Another most plausible explanation is that it was held to formulate the policy of the minority in the General Assambly in the matter of the oyster fight now pending in

the House and soon to come up in the Senate. It is recognized that the isaue in this fight may prove an opportunity for the Republicans to recruit and rehabilitate their party in Tidewater Virginia. With the Southwest airoady practically Republien, it is no secret that the oarty sees the next twelve months the hope of ore more becoming formidable in this Stite. The Valley is also very close, if not Republican. It has been openly hinted by some Democrate that if the bill to break the Baylor survey is passed, it will have a strong tendency to Republicanize the Tidewater section. Whether that prospect is deemed sufficiently bright and near to warrant a caucus with a view to fomenting division in the Democratic ranks with the hopes of profiting thereby can only be conjectured. It is regarded as very likely that the minority party have formulated some course in the matter of oyster legislation and all other important measures that may come up.

After all, however, nearly all present at the caucus, except the legislators, are Federal politics were involved. It is generally regarded as certain that the gathering had to do, either directive or remotely, with Federal politics and the next general election, or with some effort to arousing interest practicable Republican vote in the next election.

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Tefferson Circle to Install Officers-Grove in Petersburg.

cers—Grove in Petersburg.

Jefferson Circle, No. 1, Auxiliary to the Druids, will hold an important meeting ut Curd's Hall Twenty-second and Venale Street, to-morrow night, at 8 o'clock, Oil.cers will be installed, and other business of importance will be transacted.

A new circle has just been instituted in the West End by District Deputy Supreme Archon Metzger, and the order is making most wonderful progress.

Jefferson Grove, No. 14, will meet tonight at Springfield Hall Twenty-second and M Streets. Degrees will be conferred by the new degree team. At this meeting tim quarter's report will be réad, which will show that this grove is the banner ouge in Virgin.

Jederson Grove, Communication of Druids will go to Petersourg this evening to institute a new grove. Some of those who will go are Alessra. L. C. Gisselbrecht, J. E. Hude, Mobron.

The party will leave on the 7 o'clock electric car, and return on the car that leaves Petersburg at 11 o'clock.

Was Mainly Social.

rickett Camp, Confederate Veterans, net last night as usual with a good attenance for a cold night. The ression was ursely colal, little business being transacted. Commander Winston was in the chair as usual, and captain Northen adjuant, recorded milities of the proceedings. Hit With a Polter.

Harrison Bingham, an inmate of the volored aimshouse, hit a fellow inmate over the head with a poker at that institution last night, and was taken to the second Station as a consequence. He will tell about it in the Folice Court this morning.

Ouarantine Raised. (By Associated Press,
LAREDO TEX, Nov. 39.—Governor
Lenham to-day issued a proclamation,
ia's g the yellow fever quarantine, which
tan seen in force against Laredo since
september 56.



To strengthen the nerves, purify the blood and onen up the clogged bowels, the Hitters should be taken at once. It positively oures

BOLD DASH

Car Barn Bandit is Frustrated by Foresight of Chief of Police.

WILL MAKE PLEA OF INSANITY

Van Diem is Said to Have a Near Relative Who is in an Asylum.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, ILL., Nov. 80.—The youthful to f-contessed murderers and train rob-Dein, Gustav Marx and Emil were arraigned in court to-night. Marx pleaded guilty to all the charges against him, but his three accomplices pleaded not guilty.

During the afternoon, the prisoners were removed from the Harrison police station to the county Jail where they will remain until brought to trud. No excitement murked the trip to the

jail. Each prisoner was placed in a separate patrol wason, and was guarded by seven pondemen and two deputy jowed with one of the pondemen and sarcasticany said;
'I would like to have you alone for just

CHICAGO. Nov. 30.-Chief of Police

One minute.

Chitched. Nov. 30.—Chief of Police of Oxford, in person, has trustrated a puning by which Peter Neitermeler, only of the often barn bandits, sought to escape from hid the Harrison Street station nuring an entire tribe with the chief. As a result of the the measure, nowever, the police to-day redoubled the guard over the coll inferwhen Neidermeler is locked.

Neidermeler all but carried out higher Neidermeler all but carried out higher cartilly arranged to meet Chief O'Neill alone in inspector Lavin's office, octon-hashily to make a number of confessions rise and while gesticulating in illustration, ellitry to leap through the window to the sticet. His plan was frustrated by the foreight of O'Neill, who before per-by mitting the interview stationed three allustrated which the bandit hoped to so-by-cape.

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Asidermeler, seeing his plan checked, signified that the "interview" need go not further; and that he was ready to return

to his cell.

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"We will all waik to the scaffold without a tremor." This was the statement
made to-day by the murderers, Marx
Van Dein, Neidermebr and Roeski, as
they sat in their cells and discussed their

probable fate.

Van Dein, it is said, will plead insanity. This plea may be also entered
by the other bandits. Van Dein is said
to have a near relative who is in an

asylum. A great-grandfather is said to have murdered his wife and daughter in Maine and to have been adjudged insane and sent to an asylum, in which he died Van Dein, while not denying this rejort would not confirm it. Roeski said that he heard of it from Van Dein in the folders, direcult

he heard of it from Van Dein in the Indiana dugout.

Van Dein's mother has been working with charitable organizations for several years, devoting much time to organizing boys' clubs, the purpose of which was to losep boys from saloons, smoking and reading lurid literature. She told Police Inspector Lavin to-day that she never suspected her sea of any wrongcloing.

Gustav Marx to-day told the pulice of an attempt which he said the other three members of the robbers' band had made to take his life. He declared that the three shot at him when they were planning one of the abortive attacks on the money wagon of the American Express Company.

NO HEREAFTER.

The prisoners scoff at the idea of a hereafter. Death ends all, is their theory. Hell is on earth. Questioned on the subject to-day. Van Dein said; "When we die, it is the end of us. This is my bellef, and has always been. Even when a boy I listened to the teachings of my mother regarding the hereafter. I simply cannot believe in an after-life. I can't see the reason in it. When we're dead, we're dead just the same as animals. They don't go to any heaven or hell, do they? Why should we? I represent the teachings of the church. My multipr is as good a Christian as ever lived."
"Was her example nothing to you?"
"You mean you would not, don't you?"
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"Well, I didn't that's all. I don't see things as she tild."
"You have no remorse for the murders you committed?"
"I can't feel so bad about it. When people are dead, they're dead. When I drop, it's the end of me."

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Amore those opposed to the oyster bill new pending in the General Assembly is December of the County of the Count

New Way to Make Alcohol. Nervousness.

Dyspepsia.
In digestion,
Constipation,
Chillis or Maigria.

Be sure to try
a bottle.

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A Norwegian chemist has discovered a
new ard uheap way of making alcohol
Irom sawdust. Sawdust is treated under
pressure with diluted sulphuric acid under
pressure and the cultulose is transformed into
sugar. Which, by adding fermentation producers, is converted into alcohol.

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